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#### Special Notice.

Mr. Charles R. Bourne has been engaged by the Bloomfield Publishing Company to attend to the general publishing business of "THE CITIZEN." He is, therefore, authorized to solicit advertisements and subscriptions, collect bills, and to transact all business connected with the publishing of the paper.

#### Notice.

At the annual meeting of the Bloomfield Publishing Company held in April—the following named gentlemen were re-elected directors for another year: Amzi Dodd, Thomas Oakes, Jas. C. Beach, S. W. Duffield, W. H. White, Willard Richards, H. E. Richards, Jos. B. Maxfield, Jos. D. Gallagher, W. A. Baldwin, H. M. Barrett, and John Newton. The old officers were re-elected, and Messrs. Richards, Barrett, Baldwin and Newton were re-appointed editors of the paper.

### ABOUT TOWN.

—Mr. Aaron Douglass, residing on Liberty street, died on Monday and was buried on Wednesday.

—An Aiken Automatic Clock has been placed in the gentlemen's waiting room of the D. L. & W. depot.

—Found, at the funeral of Dr. F. W. Bennett, a steel key. Owner may get it by applying at residence of Mr. J. B. Harvey.

—Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. Knox have gone to Point Pleasant for the Summer. Mr. E. W. Sutton and family will go to the same place about June 1st.

—On Monday evening the regular meeting of the Baptist Literary Society will be held in the church parlor. A programme of the usual order will be given.

—The truck company announce that the bell tower, truck and house will be open for the inspection of ladies and gentlemen on Decoration Day, from four to ten P. M.

—The annual election of Essex Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1, will be held on the second Tuesday in June for the election of Foreman, Assistant Foreman, and Clerk.

—Another break has occurred in the Bloomfield level of the canal; all the water has disappeared, leaving the boats on the bottom. It will take a week to repair the break.

—At the evening party given by Miss Nettie Cushman on Thursday evening, about thirty friends were invited, a majority of them being present. The evening was pleasantly spent in various amusements.

—The new fire alarm bell will be rung on Decoration Day at noon, and at six and nine P. M. Efforts will be made in the future to have the bell strike exactly at nine P. M. to furnish standard time for Bloomfield.

—A collation of lemonade and cake was served by the W. C. T. U. to the members of the Reform Club on Friday evening. Appropriate exercises were given by the Club and Union, making the evening altogether a pleasant one.

—Corley's Barnes, son of Mr. W. E. Barnes, died on Monday afternoon after an illness of about two weeks. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. D. R. Lowrie on Wednesday at 3 o'clock. Interment at Warwick, N. Y., Thursday morning.

—The annual regatta of the Passaic River Amateur Rowing Association will take place on Decoration Day. The Crescent Club of New Orleans will send a single to compete in the single races and the Columbias of Washington will send a very strong eight.

—An invitation was extended to the residents of Roseville and a few outside friends to be present at the formal opening of the New Gymnasium Rooms of the Association at 507 Orange street last evening. The exercises and reception lasted from 7.30 until 11 o'clock.

—Eastern Star Lodge, No. 570, Knights and Ladies of Honor, of Bloomfield, will hold a Lodge of Sorrow on Friday evening, June 6, 1884, in Knights of Honor Hall, on Glenwood avenue, in memory of their late Brother, Dr. Fred W. Bennett. The public are invited to be present. None but adults will be admitted.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Young People's Society of the Methodist Church was held in the church parlors on Monday evening. By invitation the members of the Baptist Society were present.

Numerous readings, recitations and vocal and instrumental musical selections were given, all of which were highly appreciated by the audience.

—The places designated by the Township Committee for the stand water pipes to be used by the street sprinkler, are corner of Orange and Cross streets, corner of Orange street and Bloomfield avenue, corner Bloomfield and Ridgewood avenues, corner Broad and Warren streets, and on Belleville avenue near the canal.

—The Lawn party on Decoration or Memorial day to be given on the lawn opposite the Tennis grounds, will be the principal amusement of the day in town. The ladies of the M. E. Church have proved themselves excellent entertainers in the past, and will undoubtedly increase in public appreciation on this occasion.

—At the annual meeting of the Bloomfield Building Association the following named gentlemen were elected directors for the ensuing year: A. R. Brewer, E. J. Mitchell, W. B. Chambers, J. M. Bancroft, W. H. Baker, John Newton, and J. H. Hardesty. At a subsequent meeting of the directors Mr. A. R. Brewer was elected President and Treasurer, and Mr. E. J. Mitchell Secretary. The Treasurer's report showed that the Company was out of debt, with a small balance in the treasury.

—The annual election of the Bloomfield Fire Association will be held on Monday next in the Truck House. The polls open at 4.50 and close at 8.50 P. M. A board of thirteen Trustees will be elected and from the Board will be elected a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Fire Marshal. Every member of the B. F. A. who is not in arrears for dues is entitled, to a vote, and it is hoped that all will exercise this privilege and elect men to office who will take proper interest in the affairs of the Association.

#### Temperance.

The Reform Club was doubly favored at its meeting Friday night, 16th inst. First, with an address and some choice singing by Mr. Edwards, of New York, who told the story of his life and reformation, and related instances that have come under his own observation of the power of the Gospel in saving men from a life of intemperance. His remarks made a deep impression for good. Another special feature of interest was the presence of the members of the W. C. T. U. These were in attendance by invitation of the Club, and they took occasion to furnish refreshments in the way of coffee and sandwiches for the audience. The supply of good things was superabundant. President Russell announced a gift of \$75 received from the Old Saloon Mission. This fund remained on hand when the meetings of that Mission were discontinued. Thanks were voted to the donors, who recognize in the Reform Club true successors in a good work.

Rev. H. W. Ballantine came into the meeting, and when called upon to speak, expressed hearty approval of the work in progress, pledged most positive continued co-operation, and told of what he had witnessed of temperance activity in his recent visit at the West. He declared that "the question of the day is Temperance," and most aggressive labor is in many places being pressed for the temperance cause.

The Sunday Afternoon Gospel Temperance Meeting was well sustained. The speaking was by members of the Club.

#### The Fountain in the Centre.

A circular is out describing the plan for the fountain in the Centre, and asking for subscriptions. The committee consists of Messrs. McDowell, Cooper, Sutton, Scherff and Brewer. Mr. J. P. Scherff is treasurer, but subscriptions may be handed to any member of the committee.

In response to the circular the committee have received and are promised about \$250. It will greatly aid the committee in bringing to a successful conclusion this improvement if all will send in their contributions to the treasurer without personal solicitation.

The spot selected is without doubt the best in the town for the purpose, and it will bring to the town many times over its cost in the enhanced value of property within a large circle. Following the Park there are many needed improvements, but this is the foundation and should receive the hearty endorsement and support of all. M.

#### Temperance School.

The Temperance School held its meeting last Saturday afternoon. The attendance so far has varied but little. The children still manifest great interest in the work. We have been more than favored in securing the services of so efficient a Superintendent as Miss Lizzie Biddulph. The hour for opening the school is 3 o'clock sharp, every Saturday afternoon, until further notice. All children are most cordially invited to attend. The badge of school membership is a blue ribbon. The exercises were closed by a very pleasing and acceptable recitation by Miss Williams.

#### Seminary Lecture.

To the surprise and gratification of the frequenters of the Seminary, they were favored Wednesday evening with clear skies. The subject of the lecture was, "Keats, the Poet, as Master of Language." It is no disparagement of Mr. Duffield's two previous lectures to say that this one was of a much finer quality. Some of his sentences were truly Keatsian in epigrammatic force. Unless we are mistaken, Wednesday evening's lecture was the result of a more careful preparation than that awarded to Wordsworth or Shelley. There was a unity of design and a consistency of execution which does not come by chance.

In these days men and women are too busy, or they think they are, to spend valuable time in mere "amusement." If some of our weary men and dragged out women would break away from the deadening humdrum of daily life now and then, and expose their souls to the sunlight of romance and beauty, they would not so often wonder whether life is worth the living. Not since college days have the beauties of Keats crossed our horizon. The wisdom of attending a lecture like the one with which Mr. Duffield favored us is that it revives the slumbering interests. The old love comes back again; long closed volumes are once more opened, and for a time, at least, the plodding, snarling, worn-out creature is forgotten. Moral: Next Tuesday evening let the weary creatures who are "too tired to go out" try the effect of a talk on Tennyson. It will vary the usual evening devoted to the newspaper, the baby, the cook or the bank account.

The lecture was in part as follows: We can find little in Keats' ancestry to account for his wonderful gifts. His mother's father was a lively stable keeper, and his own father the head groom. Thus he had stable on both sides, and while there is nothing discreditable in the stable, it is not generally regarded as a developer of the love of the beautiful. Keats was a literary orphan, a child of the world. Unlike Chatterton however, who died quite as much of starvation of soul as of body, his lot was cast among congenial companions, who developed his character. He was a good liver, but the most potent drink he indulged in was claret. Excess and coarseness found no lodgement in his pure nature and his personal life was beyond reproach. He was sensuous but never sensual.

His mastery of language was marvelous. No one can tell whence or how he found his words. He seemed a sort of literary magnet drawing to himself every beautiful adjective of the English language. His age could not appreciate him. He was out of place in cloudy, gloomy, heavy animal England. Hard, narrow, brutal critics like Gifford could not recognize beauty when they saw it. Keats, and Shelley who loved and admired him, threw themselves against the hard front of English stupidity. Keats made Tennyson possible. His prose, what little he wrote, was of the finest. His later poems showed great progress, and had his twenty-five years been doubled he would doubtless have been one of England's greatest poets. But after the publication of his first volume, a double danger entered his life—a fatal disease and an infatuation for Fanny Brown. This lady whose beauty seemed her best possession did the poet no good. Her unsubstantiality probably prompted the writing of Lamia.

And so poor Keats passed away and left only the ravings of Byron, the irregularities of Shelley and the inchoate Tennyson, coming indeed, but not yet come.

#### Proposed Improvement to Library Hall.

New York, May 20, 1884.

Messrs Darwin, Beach and Sherman.

GENTS—I have examined the Library Hall at Bloomfield, N. J., and would report as follows. The front wall on Liberty st. has been laid up out of plumb, but is secure and sound; no fears need be entertained from any danger arising from unsafe walls or want of strength in the floor beams, etc., but it is imperative that the roof should be at once overhauled. The deck has settled about two inches and the wood and iron work are going to ruin for want of paint, slates off, etc. The materials used in this building are good, but little skill has been used in the lay out.

I would propose lowering the Orchestra Circle and Gallery four feet six inches, thereby giving you less stairs to climb and making them more in keeping with theatres of present date. Also to extend the stage out six feet, take the false boxes away and put up four good boxes, take away the fence rail cornice and put up a handsome papier-mache one; take five inches off the balcony rail, open same with semi-balustrade work; take down the cast-iron smoke pipes in false boxes, and the present brick chimney in front for heater, and put up larger chimneys for heaters where shown on plans; place a ventilating dome in ceiling, raise the deck of roof, giving proper pitch, get ten feet of land on the west side to be used for exit, arrange the ticket office on one side of the present main entrance, changing the present ticket room on Liberty street into stores;

paint and properly decorate the whole interior. The cost of such alteration will not exceed six thousand dollars.

I would propose putting up a three-story building on Broad street, with four large stores and four apartments above them, the cost of this complete not to exceed fourteen thousand dollars.

I estimate the outlay and return as follows:

**OUTLAY.**  
Cost of purchase of present building, \$13,000  
Cost of improvements, 20,000  
\$33,000

**RETURN.**  
2 stores on Liberty street, at \$12.50 per month each, \$300  
4 stores on Broad st., at \$30 per mo. each, 1,440  
4 suites of apartments, at \$25 per mo. each, 1,200  
Theatre let for 50 nights, at \$25 each, 1,250

Total, \$3,190  
Allow for heating, janitor, repairs, insurance, gas, etc., \$150  
Net, \$3,040  
Or about ten per cent. on investment of thirty-three thousand dollars.

#### R. NAPIER ANDERSON, Architect.

#### Obituary.

Dr. Frederick W. Bennett, whose sudden death a few days since is known to our entire community, was born in Monroe, Fairfield County, Conn., and early in life went to Danbury where he lived until early manhood. He graduated at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, New York City, in the Class of '73, and engaged in the practice of his profession first in Danbury and then in Brewsters, New York, at which place, in 1872, he met Miss Joanna B. Harvey, to whom he was married in December, 1874. In the year 1876 he moved to the city of Newark, engaged in practice there, and was, in 1878, appointed one of the District Physicians, but by reason of ill health was compelled to resign the position, and he moved to this place little expecting enough strength to continue in practice, but by good care he has lived among us for the past six years, two of which he was employed as Township Physician, and by his going in and out among our people has made enduring friendships. His untimely death is mourned by hundreds who knew him as a tender and sympathetic friend.

As a surgeon, Dr. Bennett has been very successful, as survivors of the "Tilly Mine" disaster at Brewsters in 1876, can testify. There is no better evidence of the tender, loving, and kindly nature of our deceased friend, than the sympathy and grief of all who attended the funeral, which was one of the largest, perhaps, ever held in a private residence in this town.

Dr. Bennett early in life, was baptized in the faith, and his ministrations testified that he loved the Saviour of all for he rejoiced in "doing good."

Farwell, dear, dear friend, thou hast passed beyond the veil to enjoy the reward of a well-spent life, leaving fragrant memory of thy patient, tender nature.

Wm. S. Pierson Post, G. A. R.  
Bloomfield, N. J., May 16, '84.

The members of the above Post will meet at the Post room on Sunday evening, June 1st, 7 P. M., and then proceed to the Baptist church by invitation from the pastor, the Rev. E. D. Simons, to listen to a memorial sermon. All veterans are cordially invited to join with the Post.

D. W. GREGORY, Adjutant.  
C. S. VOORHEES, Commander.  
**List of Letters**  
Remaining unclaimed in the Post Office at Bloomfield, N. J., on Wednesday, May 21, 1884.

Berry, Louisa E. Gorden, Hannah  
Bourne, Wm. Oeland Havula, Ishean  
Buck, Mrs. Louisa Karns, Carrie  
Brunnan, Mary Lauterback, Adam  
Buell, Chas. Kamski, Paul  
Degan, Bridget Moffet, Frederick  
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#### Cemetery Notice.

THE annual meeting of the owners of the sublots in the Cemetery will be held in the office of Thomas C. Dodd, Secretary of the Essex County Mutual Insurance Co., on the first Monday in June, at eight o'clock in the evening, for the election of four Managers, two to serve two years, and two to serve three years, and to transact such other business as may properly come before them.  
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